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## \*\*MEDIA ADVISORY\*\*

## House Education Committee to Hear from State University Presidents on Higher Education in Florida

**Tallahassee, Fla.** – The House Education Committee will meet on Friday, January 13. As outlined by House Speaker Dean Cannon in his Tuesday address, the House Education Committee will begin a series of conversations with presidents from Florida's 11 public universities. Collectively, the conversations will be part of a collegial dialogue about excellence in Florida's higher education system.

On Friday, the House Education Committee will begin discussions with University of Florida President Bernie Machen and Florida State University President Eric Barron. The committee will continue these discussions with the remaining state university presidents the following week to hear their suggestions for future reforms that could better enable universities, as well as the system as a whole, to excel at their missions. The House Education Committee will use feedback from the presidents to identify strengths and opportunities for strengthening Florida's state university system.

## ALL INTERESTED MEDIA ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND:

What: House Education Committee Meeting

**Date:** Friday, January 13, 2012 **Time:** 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. EDT

**Location:** 102 House Office Building (Reed Hall)

Tallahassee, FL